


REMARKS

Applicant has amended the claims to attend to housekeeping and to place the Application in proper form for examination. Applicant has amended the Specification to correct an obvious typographical error which was not earlier noticed. In the formula for an alkylphenol-aldehyde resin, the reference numbers were reversed and alkoxy group is now properly represented as being bound to the aromatic ring through an oxygen atom and when p is 0, the amended structure properly corresponds to an alkyl phenol. As amended, the repeating structure is an aromatic ring having an alkyl group in a position para- to an alkoxy group. It is believed that no new matter is introduced by this amendment. In the claims, claims 1-6, and 8-9 were deleted. Claims 7, 10 and 11 were amended to include elements of the base claim 1 and claim 4, and to more clearly recite what Applicant believes to be the invention. Support for this amendment may be found in original claims 1 and 4. Claim 11 was amended to recite a method for improving the lubrication properties of low-sulfur middle distillates, reciting an active step of adding to the low-sulfur middle distillate the additive of claim 1. Support for new claims 12-17 can be found in originally filed claims 2-3, 5-6, and 8. It is believed that no new matter has been introduced by these amendments.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 03-2060.

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